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TEHRAN FOR RED CROSS DELEGATION - MR. ALDRICH

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TAGS: PARM, UK, SW

SUBJ: DISARMAMENT: DRAFT RESOLUTION ON SPECIFIC CONVENTIONAL
WEAPONS; CONSULTATION WITH ALLIED DELS

REF: STATE 218191

1. SUMMARY. US DEL CALLED MEETING NOV 7 OF SEVERAL WESTERN
DELS TO EXPLAIN US PROPOSED CHANGES IN SWEDISH RES ON
SPECIFIC CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS. GROUP, THOUGH WITHOUT
INSTRUCTIONS, INDICATED GENERAL SUPPORT FOR BASIC OBJECTIVES
OF US PROPOSALS. END SUMMARY.

2. US DELOFF (NELSON) BRIEFED GROUP OF WESTERN DELOFFS
MORNING NOVEMBER 7 ON REASONING BEHIND CHANGES PROPOSED BY
US IN SWEDISH RES (TEXT OF CHANGES WERE GIVEN TO THEM
EVENING NOV. 6). DELS THAT WERE REPRESENTED IN MEETING
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INCLUDED AUSTRIA, AUSTRALIA, CANADA, DENMARK, FRG, FRANCE,

ITALY, IRELAND, NETHERLANDS, AND UK. DELOFF EXPLAINED THAT ALL GOVERNMENTS REPRESENTED IN GROUP HAD ALSO BEEN REPRESENTED IN OCTOBER CONSULTATIONS OF WESTERN WORKING GROUP IN LONDON, AT WHICH TACTICS ON SPECIFIC WEAPONS QUESTION HAD BEEN DISCUSSED, AND US THEREFORE THOUGHT IT APPROPRIATE TO OUTLINE RATIONALE FOR CHANGES US HAD PROPOSED TO SWEDISH DEL.

3. REACTIONS OF GROUP WERE MOSTLY OF GENERAL CHARACTER. ALL WHO SPOKE SUPPORTED BASIC OBJECTIVES OF US PROPOSALS.

4. UK REP SAID HIS DEL HAD RECEIVED INDEPENDENT INSTRUCTIONS, BASED ON OUTCOME OF LONDON CONSULTATIONS, TO SEEK CHANGES IN SWEDISH RES VERY MUCH ALONG LINES PROPOSED BY US. CANADIANS HAD TWO SPECIFIC REACTIONS TO US PROPOSALS; OTTAWA FELT THAT SOME PREAMBULAR CHANGES PROBABLY UNNECESSARY, BUT AGREED WITH MOST; CANADIANS HAD NOT REACHED ANY FIRM CONCLUSIONS WITH RESPECT TO US LANGUAGE FOR OPERATIVE PARA 1. NETHERLANDS EXPRESSED APPRECIATION OF FACT THAT THE US MAKING EFFORT TO HEAD OFF UNDESIRABLE RESULT AND SAID HIS DEL WOULD SUPPORT US PROPOSALS. AUSTRIAN, AUSTRALIAN, AND DANISH REPS CONSIDERED THAT US LANGUAGE FOR OPERATIVE PARA 1 TOO CONVOLUTED AND THAT IT DID NOT CLARIFY SEQUENCE OF CONSIDERATION OF SUBJECT AT EXPERT AND DIPLOMATIC LEVELS. DANISH AND IRISH REPS SAID THEY COULD PROBABLY SUPPORT CURRENT VERSION OF SWEDISH DRAFT BUT WOULD PROBABLY "WELCOME" US CHANGES. SEVERAL EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR OPPORTUNITY TO CONSULT AND URGED THAT DELEGATIONS REMAIN IN TOUCH. SCALI

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